

HONGKONG WEMBLEY.

PROPOSED LOCAL STADIUM.

SPORTING MEN'S OPINIONS.

"ATTRACTIVE" AND "FEASIBLE"

Some days ago the suggestion was made in this paper that Hongkong should have a stadium. The proposed local Wembley, we urged, should be large enough to enable the more important local and interport cricket matches to be held; to allow of bowls interport matches; tennis tournaments, baseball matches, and of course football matches. There should be provision for the Stadium that is so much desired, and there might also be room for rifle ranges, etc. This suggestion has aroused much interest in athletic circles here, and to-day we are able to give the views of several prominent sportsmen whose opinions will receive careful attention and will doubtless excite further comment. Hoping that some definite scheme will emerge, we cordially invite those interested to state their views.

BOXING MAN'S VIEWS.

"ATTRACTIVE PROJECT."

Mr. G. G. N. Tinson, Honorary Secretary and Treasurer of the Hongkong Boxing Association, expressed some interesting views to a *China Mail* representative last evening. When asked his opinion as to the feasibility of a Hongkong Wembley, as suggested in the *China Mail* of June 16, Mr. Tinson said that he feared the cost of a hall for boxing would be prohibitive in view of the limited support boxing received locally. Experience had shown, said Mr. Tinson, that in Hongkong a house of 900 was all one could expect under the most favourable circumstances and then only if the programme had some "star turn" and was staged in the city itself. To substantiate the latter part of his statement, Mr. Tinson showed by the club's books that the difference in takings at the Ming Yuen Gardens and the City Hall had been approximately \$200 on the average in favour of the latter, which was not so well suited for staging a fight as the Gardens, either from a contestant's or a spectator's point of view.

Again it is difficult to see where the money for upkeep is to come from unless the local Association can hold contests more often during the year as is done in Singapore. Mr. Tinson acknowledged that a hall for training, instruction and contests was badly needed here, but with the present lack of enthusiasm (apart from the Services) it was difficult to see how the Boxing Association could find either the "initial" funds for building or for upkeep. The Association, in a good year, has a balance of nearly \$2,000 of which it has been the custom to donate the major portion to deserving causes. If the entire profits were devoted to the upkeep of a boxing hall, salaries for attendants, insurance etc., the present income would not suffice.

TO INCREASE MEMBERSHIP.

"Could not your association encourage local boxers outside the Services by holding boxing classes for members as is done in Shanghai?" Mr. Tinson replied that the project was very attractive provided sufficient aspirants were forthcoming. He felt confident that the use of a suitable place for giving instruction would be gladly given on certain days in the week. The services of an instructor could easily be found, but asked Mr. Tinson: "could the revenue supply the budding boxers?"

The *China Mail* replied that plenty of Eurasian lads were keen enough on boxing, as continually demonstrated in the gym. Local boys were not less keen than others, but they were not encouraged here—then again the colour was against creating keenness. "Our Association itself," said Mr. Tinson, "draws no colour line. The Association is ready at all times to encourage contests, provided the contestants are equally matched. We are not going to stage uneven fights if we can possibly avoid it. Most careful enquiries are made as to the qualifications of would-be contestants before the Association fathers a fight."

Asked for his personal views on the colour line, Mr. Tinson expressed the hope that "the colour ban, as it exists out here, will be withdrawn by the Services with regard to boxing, as there is none in the case of athletics, cricket, football, rowing or tennis."

"PERFECTLY FEASIBLE"

FOOTBALL PRESIDENT ENTHUSIASTIC.

Mr. R. J. Wilton, president of the Hongkong Football Association, and vice-president of the Hongkong Football Club, when seen by a *China Mail* reporter, was most enthusiastic about the idea of a stadium.

"I can assure you," said Mr. Wilton, "that any feasible scheme to furnish us with a football ground on which spectators and players can be properly catered for will have the whole-hearted support of the H.K.F.A. In time I have no doubt that the Hongkong Football Club would make it their headquarters. Mr. Wilton suggested that if a suitable piece of ground could be

found near Sookumpoo and leased from Government at a nominal rent, the entire management should be in the hands of a committee composed of representatives of every club in the Colony.

He suggested the building of substantial stands to enable spectators to watch the games in comfort, the erection of a permanent building in which boxing contests could be held, the laying down of a sufficient area of turf for tennis, cricket and bowls, which, if possible should be entirely separate from the football ground. On the outside of the turf a cinder-track should be laid, where the different clubs, universities and schools could hold their annual sports. In this connection, Mr. Wilton hopes the ground will be large enough to allow of dykes to be permanently constructed to enable sports programmes to include a steeple-chase.

AN IDEAL GROUND.

"An ideal ground as far as football or baseball are concerned would be the polo-ground, but unfortunately at present it is reserved for the pleasure of but a minority of the community." Mr. Wilton agreed that polo-players could easily be accommodated two nights a week in the new ground. "If we could only obtain such a ground as suggested in the *China Mail*, the H.K.F.A. would undertake that all interport fixtures be played there and, in addition, would give the public two games every Saturday during the soccer season." Baseball would be a great attraction from May to September.

Mr. Wilton anticipated no difficulty in the funds being forthcoming for the upkeep, but the ground would need fencing to prevent spectators watching football or other games without paying gate-money.

If permanent stands were erected, dressing rooms and refreshment rooms could be provided underneath. Mat sheds and bamboo stands are "one continued expense," the speaker added. "At the present time there are not sufficient football grounds to meet the demand and if any feasible scheme for a stadium—which would include at least one full-size football ground in addition to space for baseball, cricket, bowls and tennis—were put forward I feel sure the necessary financial backing would be forthcoming. I would suggest that as soon as suitable ground has been found, the various sporting clubs and institutions (including all schools) be asked to send delegates to a meeting to discuss ways and means."

With regard to the suggestion that a building for boxing might prove rather a white elephant, Mr. Wilton pointed out that on certain nights a week a band could be hired to play there, concerts and dances could be held, all of which should prove money-getters. In conclusion, Mr. Wilton advised the *China Mail* to keep the matter continually before the public as he felt sure the scheme was perfectly feasible.

"RARE BOON"

INTERPORT CRICKETS.

Mr. L. S. Greenhill, Honorary Secretary and Treasurer of the Hongkong Cricket Club, holds the opinion that while the new scheme will be of little assistance to cricketers as a body, unless the new ground is spacious enough to allow of cricket being played at the same time as football and tennis, every encouragement should be given the promoters. He feels sure that his committee will support any feasible scheme. Getting the various clubs into one fold appeals greatly to him. While admitting that he is an advocate of the use of "batting wickets," he is convinced that the playing members will give their consent. Unless, therefore, a separate cricket ground can be provided in the projected stadium, the protection of the pitch may prove a difficult problem. For the holding of interport matches the stadium will be a rare boon and falling the polo ground or some other suitable site, Mr. Greenhill suggests that King's Park might fill the bill.

"The chief difficulty to overcome," said Mr. Greenhill, "is the clashing of the cricket and football seasons, but if we can obtain a ground on the scale of Shanghai no opposition should be met with from cricketers."

As regards the initial outlay, Mr. Greenhill expects the promoters will encounter little difficulty what with gifts from firms and benevolently disposed citizens.

A BASEBALL VIEW.

Mr. H. J. Koch, President of the Hongkong Baseball Club, told a *China Mail* reporter that any "live scheme" for a Stadium would meet with the unqualified support of the baseball community of whatever nationality. "As far as our club is concerned," he continued, "we are under a deep debt of gratitude to the H. K. F. C. for the use of our present ground for the season, but naturally, under the circumstances, our club can make no permanent improvements. With a stadium, I feel sure more interest would be shown in Baseball in the Colony, as 'fans' would attend the games in company with their wives and families once we were in a position to offer them more comfortable surroundings. Of course, at the present, the Club's financial budget is run on very close lines, but should the proposed stadium come into being, I feel sure you would find the American community would support it. From the money collected at the gate our Club should have no difficulty in finding their quota towards the annual upkeep."

ASSAULT ALLEGED.

CHINESE CONSTABLES CHARGED.

The case in which four Chinese constables were remanded on a charge of assaulting a Yumai merchant named Chan Chor-wing, came up for hearing again before Mr. J. R. Wood yesterday afternoon, Mr. K. Lo representing the complainant and Mr. T. H. King, D.S.P., watching the case on behalf of the constables.

Mr. Lo outlined his case which was to the effect that complainant was on the Yumai water-front near a launch about to carry a party of worshippers to Castle Peak Bay. He was hailed by his people on board but before he could board the launch a commotion had broken out. He is alleged to have been beaten with fists and the butts of revolvers.

The defence was that the constables had been sent by the Principal Chinese Detective to watch for gambling, as it was alleged that the launch did not carry a worshipping party but a crowd of gamblers. Complainant is stated to have received his injuries while resisting arrest and falling down in running away.

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A noted Chilean woman writer asked the National League of Woman Voters to name the greatest living American women, in order that she might write their biographies for Chilean women suffragists. The list compiled by the League comprises Jane Addams, of Hull House, Chicago; Cecelia Beaux, painter; Anna Jung Cinnos, astronomer; Carrie Chapman Catt, organizer and leader of the suffrage movement; Anna Botsford Comstock, New York writer and student of natural history; Minnie Muddler Fiske, actress; Louise Homer, prima donna; Julia Lathrop, authority on child welfare; Florence Rena Sabin, Professor of anatomy at Johns Hopkins; M. Carey Thomas, famous for her educational work; Martha Van Rensselaer, teacher of Home Economics and member of Food Administration during the World War, and Edith Wharton, author.



Miss Helen Lois

Miss Helen Lois, well-known newspaper woman, turned from her typewriter to try deep-sea diving to gather material for short stories. Miss Lois, shown here with a naval chief petty officer, was assisted by the Navy Recruiting Office.



Herr Gustav Krupp von Bohlen

Herr Gustav Krupp von Bohlen, husband of Bertha Krupp, owner of the immense Krupp steel works at Essen, was arrested by the French and court-martialed on the charge that he inspired his workmen to attack French troops.



Miss Minnie McFadden



Lloyd Leabhar

Miss Minnie McFadden, long time friend of Miss Lucy Aldrich, sister-in-law of John D. Rockefeller, Jr., was with Miss Aldrich when they were captured by Chinese bandits on the railroad train between Shanghai and Peking. Both were interrelated. Lloyd Leabhar, was captured, but escaped, with a graphic story of the raid. Thomas H. Day, of Ridgewood, New Jersey, was captured, but was released and sent to Shanghai with a demand for ransom for the captured prisoners.



Thirteen years before the Civil War E. Newell Hunting got a job as a brushmaker in the State Prison. To-day he is 91 years old and has been on the same job for 75 years.



Judge Joseph David

Judge Joseph David, was called upon to act the role of a modern Solomon, either to award Alice Beatrice Nuttall to her own mother, Mrs. James Morris, or to the child's foster parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Nuttall, who took her from an orphanage in her infancy and who cared for her, while her own mother did not know her whereabouts. The child told the court she preferred to live with her foster parents. Judge David thereupon awarded the custody of the child to the Nuttalls.



Harriet Buschke-Walker

Harriet Buschke-Walker, known as the "fashion plate" of the "House of David," "King" Benjamin, Parrell's amazing religious cult, was summoned before the Grand Jury investigation, on the charge of immorality. Her stylish clothes, in contrast to the poor garb usually worn by the inmates, drew a charge from the prosecuting attorney that she had been bribed by "King" Benjamin. She is said to have been one of his pets. Mrs. Ethel Mills alleged that she had been betrayed to "King" Benjamin by her own sister, Edith Meldrum, "female pillar" of the cult.



Lord Glenconner

The Hon. Christopher Tennant, a British naval officer, has succeeded to his father's title and fortune as Lord Glenconner. He is one of the richest of the peers, deriving a huge income from copper mines in Spain, steel works in Scotland and the largest chemical plant in England. The new Lord Glenconner through his mother, is a great-great-grandson of Lord Edcliff, a great-grandson of Lord Fitzgibbon, one of the most remarkable figures in the close of the eighteenth century, and of Lady Edward Fitzgerald, the celebrated Parnell said to have been the daughter of Mme. de Genlis and King Louis Philippe of France. Lord Glenconner is a nephew of Margot Asquith's father being Mrs. Asquith's eldest brother.



James Miller Parmelee

When a Paris police inspector opened fire on a fleeing Apache one of his bullets pierced the heart of James Miller Parmelee, 27, chief clerk in the Paris branch of the Guaranty Trust Company of New York, killing him instantly. Parmelee served in the French ambulance service until America entered the war when he enlisted in the French artillery, won a lieutenantancy and was twice decorated for valour.



Battalion Chief John F. Kearney

Battalion Chief John F. Kearney of the San Francisco Fire Department, has been awarded a medal for gallantry by King George. At the risk of his own life, Chief Kearney plunged into the hold of the steamer Tahiti and rescued from death three British firemen who had been overcome by fumes of hydrocyanic acid.

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before Mr. Justice Gompertz
yesterday by two Portuguese
youths (R. M. H. Castro and
J. G. Rozario) and seven Chinese
who claimed \$45 for wages due
and \$250 in lieu of one day's
notice at \$250 a day.

The case made out by the
plaintiffs was that they were
engaged as ticket sellers and
collectors at \$250 each per day.
They worked at the show on
Saturday and Sunday, June 10
and 11, and then a Mr. D. D.
Jesus, who had arranged
terms for them, pointed out to the
defendants' working manager (Mr.
Howard) that as they had office
work to do on week days they
would not be able to start work at
the show on Monday until
5.30 p.m. The plaintiffs al-
leged that when they arrived
at 5.15 on the Monday afternoon
they were told that they were not
wanted.

According to the defence put
forward by Mr. McCallum only two
of the plaintiffs were engaged at
\$250 a day, the remaining seven
being engaged at \$2. When they
did not turn up to time on the
Monday other men had to
be engaged at short notice. Mr.
Howard had no recollection of Mr.
Jesus telling him the defendants
would not be able to come at 4.30.
It was stated emphatically that
they must be there when the fair
opened.

His Honour said that according
to the law the plaintiffs were not
entitled to any wages at all, but he
thought if they approached Mr.
Stanton again on that point he
would not be hard on them.

Mr. McCallum said that Mr.
Stanton had offered them their
wages but on a point of discipline
he could not afford to give wages
to them. His Honour would not
give costs.

Judgment was then awarded for
the defendant without costs.

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BIRTHDAY HONOURS

LIST COMPARATIVELY
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OVERSEAS AWARDS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail)

LONDON, June 29.
There are only two recipients in
a comparatively small Birthday
Honours list. The Hon. Charles
Napier Lawrence and the Hon.
Herbert Cokayne Gibbs receive
baronetcies.

The Privy-Councillors include
Mr. Montagu Norman G.B., Mr. S.M.
Bruce, Commonwealth Prime
Minister, and the Hon. W.S.
Fielding, Canadian Minister of
Finance.

[The Hon. Charles Napier
Lawrence has been Chairman of
the L. & N.W. Railway Co. since
1921, Chairman of the London
Board of the North British and
Mercantile Insurance Co., and
Bolivia railway. He is a son of the
first Lord Lawrence of the Punjab.
The Hon. Herbert Cokayne Gibbs
is a partner in the firm of Antony
Gibbs and Sons and is the fourth
son of Baron Aldenham. Mr.
Montagu Norman has been
Governor of the Bank of
England since 1920. Mr.
Stanley Melbourne Bruce is the
youthful Premier of the Com-
monwealth of Australia at the
head of what is described as a
"Composite Government" (akin
to a Coalition Government.) He
succeeded the redoubtable "Billy"
Hughes and his career is being
watched with interest. The Hon.
William Stevens Fielding was
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1918 and has filled that office since
1921. He has been particularly
identified with the readjustment of
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